10-Point Plan for Epidemic Control

PEPFAR is pursuing a forward-leaning, data-driven 10-point plan for achieving epidemic control:

- 1. Dramatically reduce new HIV infections among adolescent girls and young women.
- 2. Save and improve children's lives by providing them with comprehensive prevention, treatment, and care.
- Reach more men with HIV prevention and treatment services.
- 4. Use data to focus programs on the geographic areas and populations with the greatest HIV/AIDS burden, maximizing the impact of each dollar invested.
- 5. Enhance partnerships with and engagement of the private sector to pilot innovative ideas and accelerate impact.
- 6. Continue to work closely with faith-based organizations, building on their long-standing HIV service delivery capacity and community relationships.
- 7. Ensure our efforts are informed by and engaged with a variety of voices from all sectors and disciplines.
- Protect human rights and address stigma, discrimination, and violence so everyone can access HIV prevention and treatment services, and the epidemic continues to contract.
- Advance the sustainability of the HIV/AIDS response by ensuring a shared response to ending the global HIV/AIDS epidemic.
- 10. Work hand-in-hand with our Chiefs of Mission to strengthen our collaboration with partner countries, promote key policy changes, and advance critical dialogue around sustainability.

Ending the security threat posed by the epidemic and controlling the HIV/AIDS pandemic is now possible, although it will not happen easily or automatically. It will take urgency, action, and focus. PEPFAR has made the impossible possible before, and we are well positioned to do it once again.



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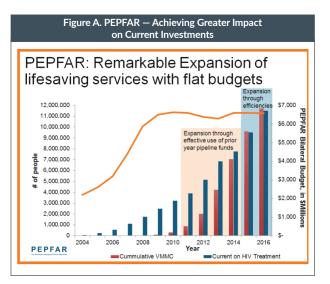






Since its inception, the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) has received strong bipartisan support, across administrations. PEPFAR has been reauthorized twice with significant Congressional majorities. Through PEPFAR, the U.S. has supported a world safer and more secure from infectious disease threats. We have demonstrably strengthened the global capacity to prevent, detect, and respond to new and existing risks—which ultimately enhances global health security and protects America's borders.

PEPFAR's relentless commitment to accountability and efficiency has allowed the program to dramatically expand its impact in a budget-neutral environment (Figure A)—saving more lives and making it a model for development programs everywhere.



PEPFAR is an expression of the compassion and generosity of the American people. It is the iconic brand of U.S. government engagement in health, development, security, and diplomacy, unparalleled in its capacity to deliver clear, measurable, and transformative results and impact.

PEPFAR has transformed the global HIV/AIDS response (Figure B). PEPFAR supports nearly 11.5 million people with life-saving antiretroviral treatment, a 50 percent increase since 2014 and up from the fewer than 50,000 people who were on treatment in sub-Saharan Africa when PEPFAR began. With PEPFAR support, nearly 2 million babies have been born HIV-free to pregnant women living with HIV—almost twice as many as in 2013—and their mothers are thriving to protect and nurture them.

PEPFAR's recent Public Health Impact Assessments show the first evidence of the epidemic becoming controlled in three key African countries—Malawi, Zambia, and Zimbabwe—which are approaching a point where HIV transmission would effectively be controlled among adults and babies. These countries have reduced new HIV infec-



tions by 51–76 percent since PEPFAR began (Figure C) and achieved an impressive average of 65 percent community viral load suppression among all HIV-infected adults (Figure D). PEPFAR is now poised to help control the epidemic in 10 African countries over the next four years, and reduce the out-year costs required to sustain the HIV/AIDS response.

